

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the section entitled "Brief Description of the Drawings" as follows:

The invention may be understood by reference to the following description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, in which like reference numerals identify like elements, and in which:

Figure 1 is a cross-sectional view of an illustrative prior art transistor;

Figure 2 is a cross-sectional view of a partially formed transistor;

Figure 3 is the device of Figure 2 after an implantation process has been performed;

Figure 4 is a cross-sectional view of the device depicted in Figure 3 after a patterning operation has been performed; ~~and~~

Figure 5 is a cross-sectional view of the device shown in Figure 4 after additional processing operations have been performed; and

Figure 6 is a cross-sectional view of an alternative embodiment of the device depicted in Figure 3 after a patterning operation has been performed.

While the invention is susceptible to various modifications and alternative forms, specific embodiments thereof have been shown by way of example in the drawings and are herein

described in detail. It should be understood, however, that the description herein of specific embodiments is not intended to limit the invention to the particular forms disclosed, but on the contrary, the intention is to cover all modifications, equivalents, and alternatives falling within the spirit and scope of the invention as defined by the appended claims.